

## CUBANS' RELEASE THIS WEEK HINTED

Reports Circulate in Miami  
After Donovan Visit

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MIAMI, Oct. 7—The 1,113

anti-castro Cubans captured in the unsuccessful invasion of Cuba in April, 1961, are expected to be freed and brought to Miami this week, according to reliable reports here.

Transportation has apparently not been worked out, but it was said that commercial jet airlines might be used.

James B. Donovan, the New York lawyer who has been in Havana for a week negotiating with Premier Fidel Castro for the release of the prisoners, unexpectedly returned to Miami today. He remained here briefly.

Mr. Donovan, who is the Democratic candidate for Senator in New York, was reported to have returned to the United States to confer with the Cuban Families Committee for Liberation of Prisoners of War.

This afternoon the committee issued a statement saying that Mr. Donovan had arrived in a chartered plane from Havana.

The committee said Mr. Donovan had reported the "negotiations are going perfectly well."

### Goes Back to Havana

Mr. Donovan returned to Havana at 4 P.M., according to the committee.

He could not be reached for comment while he was in Miami.

The reports of an agreement between Premier Castro and Mr. Donovan center on an exchange of prisoners for food and medicine. These materials are now covered by no United States embargo on trade with Cuba.

Mr. Donovan, who arranged for the Soviet Union to release the U-2 pilot Francis Gary Powers in exchange for the Russian spy Rudolf I. Abel, entered the Cuban negotiations after an American committee was formed.

Premier Castro has demanded \$62,000,000 as an "indemnity" for the invasion. In April he released 80 sick and wounded prisoners to help the families committee gather the funds.

Since then the release of several other prisoners has been arranged by their families.

### Quick Release Expected

MIAMI, Oct. 7 (UPI) — The Cuban prisoners from last year's invasion will be freed tomorrow or Tuesday and will leave Cuba immediately afterward, informed sources said here today.

The committee of families of the prisoners

was trying to obtain three jet aircraft to fly out all the captives. They could be accommodated in eight flights of 150 men each.

### Medicine May Be Price

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 7—The arrangements for the release of the Cuban prisoners are nearly complete, reliable sources said here tonight.

The arrangements were understood to require medicine worth \$62,000,000 on the Cuban market.

It was also learned that, should Premier Castro wish to have some of the sum in food, the families committee would approach the United States Government with a request for surplus food. It was expected that such a request would be met.

### New Campaign Planned

The Cuban Families Committee for Liberation of Prisoners of War said here yesterday that it had had great success in its effort to raise money for the release of the prisoners.

The New York spokesman said that Cuban refugees in the United States, Europe and Latin America had been among the largest subscribers and that many contributions had come from business organizations.

The committee also said it had received assurances that United States pharmaceutical companies would supply any medicines needed for the exchange at minimum cost.

Because of its success in fund-raising, the committee said "a renewed and more aggressive effort to secure additional contributions will be made."

Asked about reports that the prisoners were to be released in two days or so, the spokesman said "confirmation."

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